NOTICE OF TIMBER FOR SALE

The State of Iowa is offering approximately 70,254 board feet (Scribner) of timber in 388 trees located on the Keosauqua Unit of the Shimek State Forest. The trees are located approximately 2 miles south and a 3.5 west of Keosauqua, Iowa. Trees are marked with **blue** paint. The trees are located on areas as shown on the enclosed map. Bidders should satisfy themselves by examination as to the quality and quantity of timber offered. The timber is accessible through state land.

Species	# trees	board feet	
White oak	186	33,426	
Red oak	129	29,304	
Hickory	24	2,610	
Ash	15	1,656	
Cottonwood	3	1,656	
Basswood	4	504	
Elm	3	360	
Hackberry	1	198	
Black locust	2	180	
Black cherry	1	180	
River Birch	1	90	
Red Cedar	1	90	
<u>Culls</u>	18	0	
Total	388	70,254	

Sealed bids will be received until **3 p.m.**, **Wednesday**, **December 1**, **2004**, at which time bids will be opened. The sale will be awarded to the highest bidder, except that the seller reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Mail or deliver bids to Barry Smith, Acting Area Forester, Shimek State Forest, 33653 Route J56, Farmington, IA. 52626. Phone (319) 878-3811. Telephoned bids will not be accepted. Bids will be opened at the forest headquarters.

The successful bidder must execute a timber sale contract with the State of Iowa by January 3, 2005, and make full payment at that time with no exceptions.

Trees must be removed by **March 31, 2006**. Liability insurance is required. Buyers must be bonded.

Special Conditions:

- 1. Barry Smith, Acting Area Forester, will be notified when the logger is operating on the area.
- 2. Logging and transporting of logs will be permitted only when the ground is frozen or firm.
- 3. Trails and access lanes, rivers, and streams must be left free of tops and debris. All trails must be left smooth and without ruts.
- 4. The area is open to logging activities from **October 1 through March 31** each year.
- 5. **Best Management Practices** are to be followed.
- 6. Volume calculated with a 10 percent cull factor.

For further information, contact Barry Smith at (319) 878-3811.			
Amount bid for 388 trees with an estimated 70,254 board feet of timber on the Keosauqua unit of Shimek State Forest			
\$			
Date	signature of bidder		

This bid must be signed by the person submitting the bid. Please write "sealed bid" on the outside of the envelope so it will not be opened by mistake.